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Originally called Decoration Day, from the early tradition of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths and flags, Memorial Day is **a day for remembrance of those who have died in service to our country**.

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SAVE THE DATES IN 2023 – 2024!!

International Association of Shrine Yacht Club Events

Ahoy, Mariners!! Here is the first Seabag Edition of the major events for IASYC for this coming Shrine Year!! Mark these dates and events as this is your official SAVE THE DATE Notification for these special events being planned for the International Association of Shrine Yacht Clubs (IASYC) for Shrine Year 2023 – 2024!! Y'all are invited to attend each and all of these events. Stay tuned!

- ***Imperial Shrine Sessions 2023***
  - √→**When** – Sunday July 2 to Thursday July 6, 2023
  - √→**Where** – Charlotte, NC Convention Center
  - √→**Details to whet your appetite** – If elected, Imperial Sir Ed Stolze PP will be installed as Imperial Potentate. Visit with 2000 of your closest Temple Potentates and Divan officers from around the world.
- ***Installation of 2023-2024 IASYC International Bridge***
  - √→**When** – Monday July 3, 2023, Installation Luncheon about 12 Noon
  - √→**Where** – Charlotte, NC Convention Center Banquet Room
  - √→**Details to whet your appetite** – Your favorite elected IASYC International Bridge Officers will be installed at this luncheon by Imperial Potentate Kenny Craven.
- ***52nd Annual Meetings of IASYC***
  - √→**When** – Tuesday, July 4, 2023, and Wednesday/Thursday if needed
  - √→**Where** – Conference Room, Hampton Inn, Charlotte
  - √→**Details to whet your appetite** – IASYC Annual business meetings,
- ***First Official IASYC International Visitation by International Commodore Yee and Delegation***
  - √→**When** –Friday July 7 – Sunday July 9, 2023
  - √→**Where** – 100th Annual Grand Lodge anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Durango, in Durango, Mexico and the Annual Consejo Nacional Masonico de los Gran Maestros de las Gran Logias Regulares of Mexico.
  - √→**Details to whet your appetite** – International Commodore Gene and an official IASYC delegation has been invited to the Centennial Anniversary Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Durango. The Mexican Confederation of the Grand Masters of the Regular Grand Lodges has invited International Commodore Yee also to attend the Confederation's Annual Communication and Business Meeting that run concurrently with the Grand Lodge of Durango Centennial

- ***September, 2023 IASYC Bridge Meeting and attend the Gala Banquet celebrating the Centennial Year of Shriners Hospital Honolulu.***
  - √→**When** – Thursday September 14 to Tuesday September 19, 2023
  - √→**Where** – Shriners Hospital for Children Honolulu
  - √→**Details to whet your appetite** – Monthly IASYC Bridge meeting and tour of the Hospital and its operations. Celebrate the Centennial at the September 16 Gala Banquet of the Shriners Hospital in Honolulu. Also during this trip you will *visit the private beach* owned by members of Aloha Shriners as I.C. Gene's personal guest.

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➢→ ***Grand Masonic Lodge of California Annual Communication***

√→**When** – Friday October 27 – Sunday October 29, 2023

√→**Where** – California Grand Lodge Masonic Center, 1111 California St., San Francisco

√→**Details to whet your appetite** – Join International Commodore Gene's official Masonic visitation and enjoy Maritime activities in San Francisco. Visit with your 600 favorite California lodge Masters!!

➢→ ***2024 IASYC Midwinter Meetings***

√→**When** – Wednesday February 7 to Sunday February 18, 2024

√→**Where** – *Norwegian Jewel* Cruise ship

√→**Accommodations** – On Board the NCL ship, cruise from Bali, Indonesia via Jakarta, Singapore, Malaysia, Vietnam, and Thailand to Bangkok, Thailand.

√→**Details to whet your appetite** – Join *The Friends of Gene Yee*, talk story!! Attend the IASYC Midwinter meetings on board the beautiful *Norwegian Jewel* while sailing between ports, enjoy southern summer maritime activities. Celebrate the Lunar New Year's celebrations in **five different** Asian countries!! For details, contact Dave Lane.

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➢→ ***2024 IASYC Annual Meetings***

√→**When** – Friday June 28 – Thursday July 4, 2024

√→**When** – The IASYC Annual Business meetings will be on Tuesday July 2, and continued on Wednesday and Thursday as necessary.

√→**Where** – The Beautiful El Dorado Resort and Casino, Reno, NV

√→**Accommodations** – The Beautiful El Dorado Resort and Casino! Plan to stay at least 8 days and 7 nights at the beautiful El Dorado!! "CLICK BLUE LINK BELOW FOR RESERVATIONS"

El Dorado Resort and Casino

Special rates negotiated years in advance of $74/night for the weekday nights, and $160 per night for the weekend nights. That makes an average of $110.85 per night for a seven-night stay!! Minneapolis and Houston rooms were about $200 per night. NO BUS OR CAR NEEDED!!!!!!!!!!!! Transportation from and to airport provided gratis by El Dorado Resort and Casino. **Remember, we sold out of Charlotte IASYC discounted rooms early.**

RESERVE NOW TO HOLD THIS SPECIAL RATE!! "CLICK BLUE LINK ABOVE"

The entire Imperial Shrine and IASYC Annual Meeting Sessions are under the SAME ROOF!! ***Whattadeal!***!

√→**Details to whet your appetite** – Vote on the budget!! Meet fellow Mariners and take care of business!! Party!! Meet the world famous Areceli!! Must show current IASYC dues card!! Details to follow.

➢→ ***Goodby/Aloha/Adios/Sayonara Party for Gene from IASYC2023--2024***

√→**When** –3.5 days of nonstop fun, fellowship, funraising, frolic, and starting Friday June 28. It's a GAAS, literally!!

√→**Where** – Lake Tahoe, Reno, El Dorado Resort, Lake Tahoe, Reno, El Dorado Resort, and TBA

√→**Details to whet your appetite** – details to follow, the plans are being completed now for

- ❖**Friday June 28 –** dinner on Lake Tahoe, the highest, largest, deepest Alpine Lake in North America.
- ❖**Saturday, June 29 –** IASYC Family dinner in the region.
- ❖**Sunday, June 30 –** Say Aloha/Adios to Illustrious International Commodore Gene Yee, and celebrate his last full day as International Commodore of IASYC. The Last Supper details to follow.
- ❖**Monday July 1 –** Attend the "Farewell IC Gene" breakfast at Perenn Bakery, voted the *best* bakery in Nevada. This event is totally voluntary. Gene promises not to eat more than three pastries. You snooze, you lose.
- ❖**Monday July 1 –** Say Bienvenidos/Welcome/Wellkomen to International Commodore (if elected) Worshipful Alex Vazquez and Lady Areceli and help Past International Commodore Gene, sail off into the sunset!! Dinner details to follow.

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➢→ ***Installation of 2024 – 2025 International Bridge***

√→**When** – Monday July 1, 2024 about 12 Noon

√→**Where** -- Banquet Room at El Dorado Resort and Casino

√→**Accommodations** – Banquet Room to be announced.

√→**Details to whet your appetite** -- See Imperial Potentate Ed Stolze (if elected) install International Commodore -- Elect Alex Vazquez (if elected)!! See PIC Gene Yee piped off the Bridge!! Enjoy the International Bridge being installed at a scrumptious luncheon.

➢→ ***2024 Imperial Sessions***

√→**When** – Sunday June 30 – Thursday July 4, 2024

√→**Where** – The Beautiful *The Row Hotels Resorts and Casino, Reno Nevada*

√→**Details to whet your appetite** -- Lake Tahoe!! Attend the Imperial Sessions at the Resorts and Casino!!

➢→ ***Imperial Parade***

√→**When** – Tuesday, July 2, 2024, about 6PM

√→**Where** – Beautiful Downtown Reno around El Dorado Resort & Casino and The Row Hotels and Casinos

√→**Accommodations** – Yacht(s) to be in the parade to be announced. All IASYC members are expected to march in the IASYC Unit in the parade.

√→**Details to whet your appetite**. The parade will end in the parking garage of El Dorado Resort & Casino; you only need to ride the elevator up to your room, rest up, seek hospitality. It is a flat, easy walk.

➢→ ***Other 2023 – 2024 events*** – Details to follow.

√→**When** – Isn't that enough?

√→**Where** – Isn't that enough?

√→**Accommodations** – Isn't that enough??

√→**Details to whet your appetite** – isn't that enough??